

...Changes to winter weather, non-precipitation, and red flag warning products...

The National Weather Service office in Caribou will be participating in an experimental period involving bulleted winter weather, non-precipitation, and fire weather warning products. For details on the test, please read the information listed below.

Beginning November 15th, 2010...the Caribou Maine National Weather Forecast office will begin modifying the winter weather, non precipitation, and red flag warning formats to a bulleted format. This is a similar format to severe thunderstorms and flash flood warnings. These formats are easier for users to read and quickly gather vital information during hazardous winter, non-precipitation and fire weather events. During the test period, the National Weather Service in Caribou may temporarily revert back to the current format to maintain mission critical warning services.

A description of the test phase products, along with examples are available for viewing at:

http://products.weather.gov/PDD/Bulleted_WSW_NPW_RFW.pdf

Public comments are requested through April 1st, 2011:

<http://www.weather.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=WSWNPW>

Upon the completion of this experimental period, the NWS will evaluate all received comments to determine whether or not to proceed with the full implementation of bulletized winter storm, non-precipitation, and red flag warning products nationwide.

If you have comments or questions regarding this message please contact:

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